



# Winnebago Indian News

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## HCI Employees Raise 27,840 for Senior Center



Employees of Ho-Chunk, Inc. visited the Winnebago Senior Center on Friday, Jan. 5, 2018. Employees shared lunch with seniors and presented a donation of \$27,840, which is the first of two payments for a total \$50,000 donation this year. The money is from a new program called Ho-Chunk Way, which invites employees to give back to the community. An employee committee chose the Winnebago Senior Center as this year's recipient organization.

Photo by Jordana Bass / Blue Earth Marketing

## Winnebago Tribe Promotes Unity Through Prayer



In an effort to bring unity to the Winnebago Tribe through listening, understanding and prayer, members of the Winnebago Tribe have ignited a fire. They invite anyone to come out and pray at this fire. They will have someone at the fire 24 hours a day, for 30 days. They are also bringing awareness to drug and alcohol abuse, bullying, sexual abuse, domestic violence, murdered indigenous women, and abuse of our mother earth. They are inviting Winnebago Tribal Programs and Organizations to the fire. The group of individuals did not ask

the tribal council for any sponsorship towards this action. The Winnebago Tribe is not in charge of this event but would like to support and encourage our members to utilize the fire. If you would like to donate food, wood or money from your heart they would accept the donation. There will be a dinner at the Winnebago Veteran's Building at 6:00 pm daily \*based on donations. Call/Text 712-635-2588 for more information. Relatives, It's cold! When they ignited the fire and put up the tipi at a sunrise ceremony it was minus -22 degrees.

On behalf of the Winnebago Tribe and it's members we say thank you to Aric "Dusty" Armell, Nate Bigfire, and Angelo Wolf for their sacrifice and taking care of this sacred fire. Also, The Winnebago Wildlife and Parks (Provided wood), HCI (Donated the tobacco), Winnebago Health Education, Les and Silas (Helped with shelter), Tribal Chairman Frank and Elizabeth White (Helped with a Tipi) and the Winnebago Veteran's Association and all of those who are coming to pray, donate, and volunteer are appreciated.

## Aric Armell has been on the frontlines



After two tours in Iraq and one in Afghanistan, the 43-year-old Winnebago man came home a few years ago to try to find other ways to serve his people. He struggled at first, looking for a purpose. Then he heard the call for veterans to travel to Standing Rock to join the push against the Dakota Access Pipeline. Armell, whose beard, scraggly

hair, Army jacket and red high-tops hearken to an earlier time of protest, joined the fight and quickly discovered a new purpose, a new frontline. "It sparked a fire that a lot of people didn't know they had in them to stand up for our Indian Country rights and constitutional rights," he said. "I found another place that I could serve my people." He eventually returned home to Winnebago, where he again struggled for a while, trying to find a purpose. He found it briefly after traveling to South Dakota in November to help the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate ensure an oil spill from the Keystone Pipeline near their

reservation didn't harm the tribe's water resources. While on the Lake Traverse Reservation, Armell learned about a sacred fire the tribe had lit to give its people the opportunity to pray in their traditional manner whenever they wanted. Tribal leaders told him that drug- and alcohol-related crimes and domestic violence incidents had fallen since the sacred fire had been lit. He decided to bring the idea to his people. "It was doing a lot of good for their people up there," he said. He approached the Winnebago

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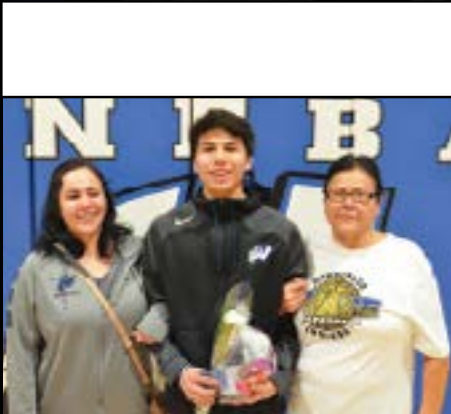
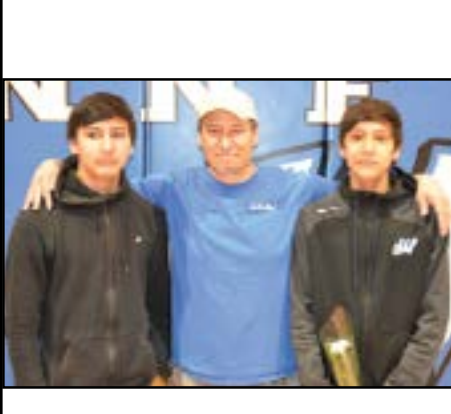
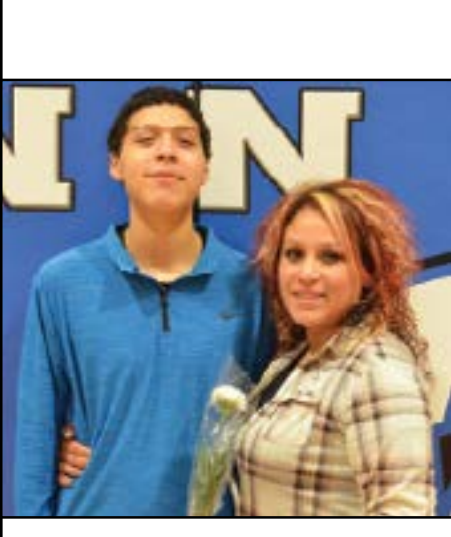
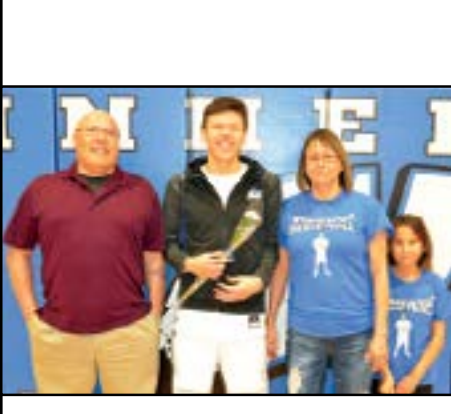
## Indians.com... Former vice chairman from Winnebago Tribe sentenced in gaming theft case

Posted: Monday, January 8, 2018  
Darwin Snyder, a former vice chairman of the Winnebago Tribe, has been sentenced to 5 years probation for his role in a gaming theft case. Darwin Snyder also was ordered to pay \$36,500 in restitution for accepting funds from the WinnaVegas Casino Resort without authorization, The Sioux City Journal reported. He had pleaded guilty last October. A total of nine former leaders were charged as part of the the case. Six, including John Blackhawk, the tribe's longtime former chairman, have pleaded guilty and all have been sentenced.

Of the remaining three defendants, one has secured the dismissal of charges while another is undergoing a mental health evaluation. The last defendant has pleaded not guilty and is awaiting trial. The cases have been prosecuted in Nebraska, where tribal headquarters are located. WinnaVegas is on trust land in Iowa. The full docket entry for Snyder's sentencing follows: TEXT MINUTE ENTRY for proceedings held before Chief Judge Laurie Smith Camp as to defendant Darwin Snyder. Sentencing held on 1/8/2018. Presentence Investigation Report is

adopted. Plea agreement accepted. Government's oral motion to dismiss counts II and X is granted. Defendant is sentenced to: Probation for a term of 5 years; Special Assessment in the amount of \$100.00; Restitution in the amount of \$36,500, (paid \$4,955.80); Defendant released on conditions of probation. Read More on the Story: Former Winnebago tribal vice chairman placed on probation for theft (The Sioux City Journal January 8, 2017) For this and more stories from around Indian Country visit us at www.indians.com

### Bago Bits...



The Winnebago High School held Parent's Night this Tuesday when the Indians and Lady Indians faced off against Rez Rival, Emerson-Hubbard Pirates. Both teams won their games handily.

## Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Current Committee Listing

Would you like to help your community grow and thrive? Pick up your application today!

**Winnebago Food Sovereignty Committee**  
3 vacancies— 1 - one year term  
2—two year terms

**General Qualifications:**

Committee membership may consist of any person the Tribal Council deems appropriate. Applicants must meet the *Particular Requirements* according to the Committee or Board Bylaws to be approved.

**Particular Requirements:**

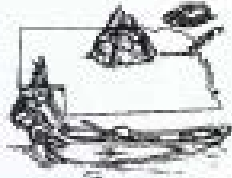
\*Sincere interest, knowledge, or experience in related field.

If you are interested in applying for the Committee, please stop at the receptionist desk located in the front lobby and pick up a Committee application.

POSTING DATE: December 27, 2017

CLOSING DATE: January 26, 2018

Please turn all applications into the tribal administrative office by 4:30pm on the closing date.



## LITTLE PRIEST TRIBAL COLLEGE

### Student Welcome Back POW-WOW

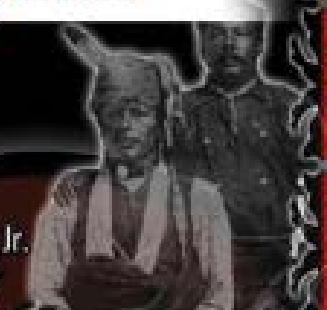
January 13, 2018

Whirling Thunder Gymnasium  
Winnebago, NE



**HEAD STAFF**

Winnebago Veteran's Association  
Master of Ceremonies: Chris Grezlik  
Host Drum: Hujop  
Arena Director: Isaac Smith  
Head Man: Craig Cleveland, Jr.  
Head Woman: Misty Jefferson



**DANCE CONTEST**

**WOMEN 18+**  
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Single  
Fancy

**JR. GIRLS 8-12**  
Traditional  
Single  
Fancy

**MEN 18+**  
Traditional  
Gross  
Fancy

**JR. BOYS 8-12**  
Traditional  
Gross  
Fancy

**TEEN GIRLS 13-17**  
Traditional  
Single  
Fancy

**TEEN BOYS 13-17**  
Traditional  
Gross  
Fancy

Tiny Tots (0-5) Guy Pay

Grand Entry 1:00 p.m.

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Shonoch Grant (402) 878-2380

This is an alcohol and drug free event. LPIC is not responsible for any lost or stolen property.

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**Alcohol Advisory Committee**  
Five (5) Vacancies— One (1) Year Term

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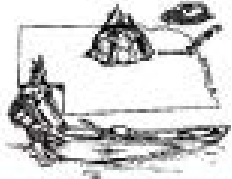
- Must be a member of the Winnebago Community and / or various Tribal Programs who has a sincere commitment to ensure quality of the services provided by the Winnebago Alcohol / Drug program.
- Must have at least three (3) years of being alcohol/drug free

If you are interested in applying for the Committee, please stop at the receptionist desk located in the front lobby and pick up a Committee application, or visit the website at [winnebagotribe.com](http://winnebagotribe.com)

POSTING DATE: January 5th, 2018

CLOSING DATE: February 9th, 2018

Please turn all applications into the tribal administrative office by 4:30pm on the closing date.



## WinnaVegas TALENT SEARCH



Saturday, January 27<sup>TH</sup> 2018 | 9AM - 11AM  
Located in the WinnaVegas Hotel Conference Center

WinnaVegas Casino Resort is looking to create a portfolio of Winnebago Tribal Members for future casino marketing and advertising!

Looking for Male & Female Models within the following age range:  
21-35  
35-49  
50-65

What to expect: A series of photos will be taken of you upon arrival for the talent portfolio. You will need to provide contact information for future bookings. WinnaVegas does not guarantee all models will be used for future advertising. \*Dress attire: Business Casual or Formal

All models booked for future advertising campaigns will be compensated. Talent fees will be based on scope of project. Compensation may include cash or free play.

WinnaVegas Casino Resort reserves all rights and royalties for future advertising.  
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**Winnebago Radio Station Committee**  
3 vacancies— 1 - one year term  
2—two year terms

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## HO-CHUNK INCORPORATED

# FAN APPRECIATION NIGHT

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Girls Varsity @ 6PM - Boys Varsity @ 8PM

Winnebago Public School



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# Winnebago News

## Thoughts on Losing \$40 Million... By Lance Morgan



land and the articles of incorporation actually specifically prohibit using any existing tribal assets (including tribal land) as collateral.

Shutting down the Land Company in violation of tribal law to protect the tribal land from a non-existent threat doesn't make any sense. But even if for some reason you hate the idea of a company whose sole purpose is to buy back the reservation from white people, I want to remind you of my old friend "Opportunity Cost."

The Cobell land buyback was supposed to buy \$18 million worth of land from tribal members and give it to the Tribe. The Feds only bought back \$12 million worth of land and shorted our members \$6 million. The federal government changed the rules after Trump got elected and they wanted the money to be used in a methodical way to buy back more land. Heck, that is the whole purpose of our Land Company. So the Tribe sent a bunch people to DC to get that \$6 million dollars—all of which would go to tribal members. The feds loved the Land Company idea and promised to consider making another round of land buy-out offers in Winnebago and we are waiting to hear from them now.

Unfortunately, our primary argument for getting that \$6 million was the existence of the Winnebago Land Company. So tribal members can kiss that \$6 million good bye, but take comfort in the fact that we protected the tribal land base from a non-existent threat.

Wait, this just gets worse. We have a tribal member who went to UNL to study agri-business. I asked him to project how much that land we aren't getting would be worth and how much lease income it would have brought in over the next 30 years. Drum roll please . . . \$34 million dollars is what the Opportunity Cost is to the Winnebago Tribe. This doesn't even count the \$6 million not going to our members. So missing out on \$40 million dollars for the Winnebago Tribe and people does not strike me as the best approach to governing our tribe.

There is still hope, the Land Company and its board is trying to meet with Tribal Council in a professional manner to get this fixed before we shoot ourselves in our poor \$40 million foot. We are not supposed to be all about the money, but in this case, I think we can both protect the tribal land, put money in tribal members pockets, and use the extra money to buy back our whole reservation. Hopefully, this will get figured out soon.

Contact me at hochunk@aol.com

## JESUS OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN OUTREACH



Pastor Ricky Jacob

"Three Christmas gifts wrapped up in One!"

Did you receive the Christmas gift that was at the top of your list? Or maybe you received even better gifts than were on your list? You probably also got things that were not on your list, some of which you have either already re-gifted or are stored for such a purpose.

Some truly enjoy the giving of gifts to others and seeing the expressions, the delight, and the joy of having the receiver excited with your gift. One is devastated, sometimes terribly, by having one's gift being unwrapped and then quickly cast aside. Or one can become upset when there is no thanks or appreciation shown to the giver. Some parents will go to great expense, even beyond their means in order to make Christmas or birthday's special, only to be taken for granted.

Is this the way that you treat gifts from God? Do you ever take God for granted for your daily bread? And when He provides you with the best Christmas gift ever, 'Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you,' do you fail to place your faith in Him or to take time to offer up a prayer of thanks?

Some of you might even think that by being good that you somehow earned and deserved gifts. Maybe you reason that God owes you, not the other way around. You have been blessed by God in so many ways and you have come to the conclusion that you are somehow more deserving than others. The apostle Paul sharply reminds us: 'Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord' [see 1st Corinthians 1:26-31].

The gift of faith in Jesus as one's Savior comes with three other gifts all wrapped up into this One Christmas gift! The three other Christmas gifts are: righteousness, holiness and redemption.

The first gift that your wise heavenly Father graciously gives to you is His righteousness. You are a member of His family, and righteous or upright, in spite of your sinful nature. How? Through no, absolutely no, effort or value of your own. "God made him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that in him we might become the righteousness of God" (2nd

Corinthians 5:18, 21; Philippians 3:9).

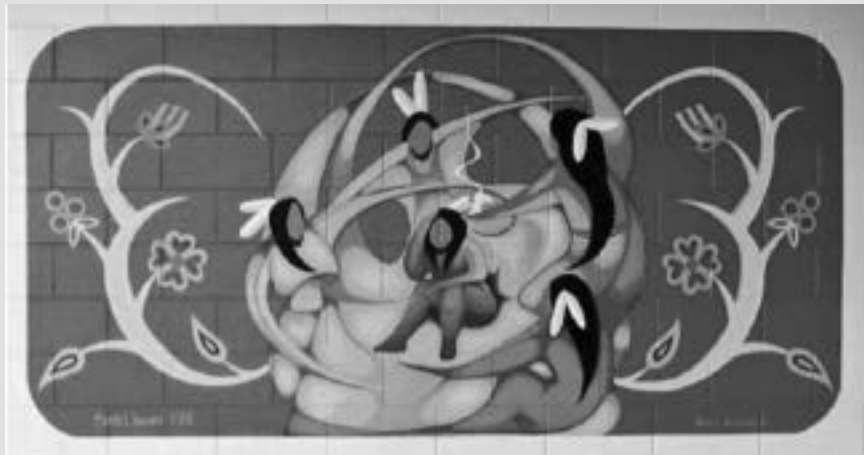
You receive Jesus' righteousness through the gift of faith and the means of Holy Baptism. It doesn't matter how old you were when you were baptized, you were totally in need and totally helpless without God's blessings of having your sins washed clean away and His Sacred Name, Father, Son and Holy Spirit placed on you. God choose you and accepted you into His family through the work of the Holy Spirit and you are a righteous child of God.

The second gift that your wise heavenly Father graciously gives to you is His holiness or being sanctified. This is the gift of living each and every day as a child of God by honoring Him with your lives. You honor God as you are led by His Spirit. You honor God as you allow Jesus to be your Good Shepherd and hearing His voice following Him, as opposed to being led away from God by the temptations of the devil, the world and your own sinful, selfish and self-centered nature.

The third gift that your wise heavenly Father graciously gives to you is redemption. You would not be righteous in God's sight or holy without this third gift. Just as Israel was redeemed from slavery and death in Egypt by the sprinkled blood of the Passover lamb, so you have been redeemed by "Christ our Passover" (1st Corinthians 5:7), by the "sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ" (1st Peter 1:2). "You were bought with a price" (1st Corinthians 6:20; 7:23; 1st Peter 1:18-19). What a price, and what gifts are yours solely by the grace and work of God. Jesus saved you with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death. That you may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness.

Your wise heavenly Father offers to you the Christmas gifts of: the righteousness of Jesus; the holiness of being sanctified through the water of Holy Baptism; as well as the redemption by the blood of Jesus your Savior! Three gifts offered to you today.

Have you received these three gifts that God offered to you today? You can. And you do through faith in Jesus as your Lord and Savior!



### Grief Support Group

Jan. 8, Feb. 12, March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug. 13, Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10th  
Meets the second Monday of each month at:  
Whirling Thunder Wellness Center  
100 Bluff Street  
Winnebago, NE 68071  
1-3pm at Ho Chunk Hope Classroom  
Anyone who has lost a loved one to any form of death. A counselor will be available during our time together.  
For more information contact Donna Wolff, Native Connections Project Coordinator, 402-878-3659

Dear Friends & Relatives,

Ma Cek Gopieske (Happy New Year) from the HoChunk Renaissance Program!

In the past year, we've made enormous progress in our mission to preserve and revitalize the HoChunk language by creating traditional and digital materials, preservation (recording, transcribing), teaching daily classes, youth summer culture camp, enhancing social media, curriculum development, strengthen staff fluency, fulfilling cultural heritage projects, and so much more.

In order to build on this momentum, we hope that we can count on your continued support in language learning during the new year. Please visit our website at [www.hochunklanguage.com](http://www.hochunklanguage.com) and our social media at Facebook, Twitter, Soundcloud, and Quizlet for more language resources.

We at HoChunk Renaissance hope you have a fantastic New Year and an even better year ahead.

Best Wishes,  
HoChunk Renaissance Staff

The Winnebago Eye Care Program encourages everyone to get an eye exam, even if you don't wear glasses, to check on your eye health. Prevention is the goal, rather than treatment. Most eye problems do not happen overnight, but rather progress over time. The best protection is early detection! With regular eye exams problems can be detected early, and treatment can be started to attempt to avoid major damage. Another important tool to prevention is education. Following is an overview of glaucoma, and information on how you can protect your vision.

To schedule an exam, please call 402-878-2428.  
More info on glaucoma at [www.glaucoma.org](http://www.glaucoma.org)

## Happy 46th Birthday to the Winnebago Indian News, January 12, 1972

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## SUICIDE IN INDIAN COUNTRY PART 12

### Strengths and Protective Factors

Across all populations, some of the most significant protective factors are:

- Effective mental health care
- Connectedness to individuals, family, community, and social institutions
- Problem-solving skills
- Contacts with caregivers

Two large studies found that for AI/AN youth strengthening protective factors may be more important than reducing risk factors in addressing suicide risk. In addition to the four protective factors above, research has shown the following to be among the most significant protective factors in AI/AN populations:

**Community control:** In a Canadian study of data from the British Columbia Coroner's Office, tribes with no suicides had more indicators of cultural continuity. Cultural continuity was defined as having infrastructure, such as the presence of cultural facilities, and sovereignty, such as self-government, having title to their traditional lands, and the provision of services within the community, including education, police, and fire; health care delivery; and child and family services. In another Canadian study, preliminary evaluative data and Inuit community member narratives indicated that community control in designing and carrying out suicide prevention programming "can be effective towards preventing suicide."

**Cultural identification:** Alaska Native tribal members following a more traditional way of life reported greater happiness, more frequent use of religion and spirituality to cope with stress, and less frequent use of drugs and alcohol to cope with stress.

Two studies of Native American youth in the Midwest found that those who had a stronger ethnic/cultural identity were better able to cope with acculturative stress and less likely to have suicidal thoughts.

**Spirituality:** Commitment to tribal cultural spirituality (forms of spirituality deriving from traditions that predate European contact) is significantly associated with a reduction in suicide attempts. People with a high level of cultural spiritual orientation have a reduced prevalence of suicide compared with those with low levels of cultural spiritual orientation

**Family connectedness:** Connectedness to family and discussing problems with family and friends are protective against suicide attempts among AI/AN youth.

If you know of someone struggling with suicidal ideation please contact The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255 (TALK), or the Winnebago Behavioral Health 1-402-878-2911 or After Hours Crisis # 1-712-259-3263.

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Tribal Council about the idea and immediately got support.

Roland Warner, the tribal treasurer, said Armell's veteran status earned him the council's support, and his efforts to create unity were much needed.

"I want to be of support to the energy that he wants to generate here within our community," Warner said.

Earlier this month, Armell set up two tipis across the road from the Winnebago Tribe's powwow grounds. One is meant to provide a place for socializing, while the larger tipi provides shelter for the sacred fire, which Armell lit shortly after the New Year.

Inside the tipi, a small altar provides visitors access to tobacco, sweet grass and sage. Piles of wood surround the fire, and an interior canvas liner provides further insulation from the cold.

Jared Frazier, 29, who's been helping tend the fire with his wife since it was lit, said the fire is available to anyone who wants to visit 24 hours a day. He said nights get rather cold but the fire and interior liner provide enough protection to allow people to continue to use the fire all night.

He said visitors have come from around the area to learn about the fire and pray there. A non-Indian couple from Soldier, Iowa, who had heard about it recently visited and promised to return, Frazier said.

"They wanted to come here and know what was taking place," he said.

Sometimes, he said, intoxicated people have visited as well, and he's prayed with them.

"This is for you, too," he tells them.

Armell said he hopes the fire brings a sense of unity to the Winnebago people, who have struggled with in-

ternal divisions in recent years. Already, a variety of tribal programs – including parenting, domestic violence and drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs – have used the sacred fire as a site for classes, he said.

Isaac Smith, a council member, said he's noticed a change within the tribe's offices and among its employees.

"Ever since that fire was lit, I've noticed a different atmosphere within the tribal council's offices," he said.

He said he's seen less conflict as more people discover the fire and go there to pray.

Armell said he plans to keep the fire burning until the end of January, when he will host a run from Winnebago to Lincoln, more than a hundred miles to the south, to bring awareness to the more than 500 missing and murdered indigenous women in America and as a show of protest against the Keystone XL Pipeline.

He said he's also begun reaching out to the three other tribes in Nebraska – the Ponca, Santee and Omaha people – to ask them to host sacred fires of their own.

His hope: Once the Winnebago's fire goes out, new fires would be lit in other tribal communities.

Those fires, he hopes, will strengthen the resolve of tribes to work together to stop future fracking and oil pipeline development near reservations, as well as help them heal any divisions within their own nations.

"Standing Rock is finished, but the fire within us all still burns," he said.

"There's not always a frontline there, like in war or Standing Rock," he said. "This is a frontline within ourselves to break that barrier down and come together."

## Little Priest Women's Basketball Schedule (2017-2018)

Date	Time	Team	Place	Location
1/17/2018	5:30	Marshalltown	Away	Marshalltown, IA
1/20/2018	2:00	Iowa Western	Away	Council Bluffs, IA
1/22/2018	5:30	Iowa Lakes	Home	Winnebago, NE
1/25/2018	6:30	Buena Vista	Away	Storm Lake, IA
1/30/2018	5:00	Northeast	Home	Winnebago, NE
2/1/2018	5:00	Cottey	Home	Winnebago, NE
2/6/2018	5:30	Buena Vista	Home	Winnebago, NE
2/7/2018	5:30	Iowa Lakes	Away	Estherville, IA
2/14/2018	5:30	Central	Home	Winnebago, NE
2/17/2018	1:00	Marshalltown	Home	Winnebago, NE
2/20/2018	5:00	Southeast	Away	Beatrice, NE
2/24/2018	2:00	Cottey	Away	Nevada, MO
2/26/2018	5:30	Central	Away	Columbus, NE
3/5/2018	5:30	TBD	Away	TBD



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# Winnebago News

## Citizens Urged to Test Homes for Radon, the Second Leading Cause of Lung Cancer in U.S.

Winnebago, NE — Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Office of Environmental Health is working with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in a nationwide campaign to educate Americans about the dangers of radon exposure and to encourage them to take action to protect their homes and families. In our community, Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Office of Environmental Health is conducting radon testing.

Radon is a naturally occurring, invisible, odorless, tasteless gas that is dispersed in outdoor air, but which can reach harmful levels when trapped in buildings. Scientists have long been concerned about the health risk of radon, but never before has there been such overwhelming proof that exposure to elevated levels of radon causes lung cancer in humans.

EPA estimates that radon is responsible for more than 20,000 lung cancer deaths per year. Radon is the leading second leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S. after smoking and the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers. "However," says Monica Cleveland from Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Office of Environmental Health "because you can't see or smell radon, people tend to downplay the health effects and ignore the possibility that there might be a silent killer in their homes."

Testing homes for elevated levels of radon is simple and inexpensive. We have radon test kits available to our community. Radon test kits can be purchased at local hardware and home improvement stores or directly from radon testing companies. Many are priced under \$25.00. Radon problems can be fixed by qualified contractors for a cost similar to that of many common home repairs such as painting or having a new water heater installed.

The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Office of Environmental Health is urging Winnebago residents to take action by testing their homes for radon. Radon poses a serious threat to our community's health but there is a straightforward solution. For more information on radon, radon testing and mitigation, and radon-resistant new construction, call the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Office of Environmental Health at 402-878-3588 or visit our Facebook Page Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Office of Environmental Health or visit EPA's Radon website at [www.epa.gov/radon](http://www.epa.gov/radon).

Radon is a serious health risk. It can be reduced easily and cost-effectively. Take action today. Encourage your friends and family members to do the same!

Breathing radon in your home can cause lung cancer. Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas released in rock, soil and water that can build up to dangerous levels inside any home; this means new and old homes, well-sealed and drafty homes, and homes with or without a basement. Radon gas is odorless and invisible and the only way to know if your home has a radon problem is to test for it. Breathing radon can increase your risk of lung cancer. Radon is the number one cause of lung cancer among people who do not smoke. It is the second leading cause of lung cancer for people who do.

EPA estimates that radon causes more than 20,000 deaths from lung cancer each year in the U.S. If you smoke and your home has a high radon level, your risk of lung cancer can increase even more.

Radon has been found in every state. Homes with high levels of radon have been found in all states. In fact, radon levels can vary greatly from home-to-home--even levels next door can be very different.

You should test for radon. Testing your house for radon is simple. If your house has a radon problem, it can be fixed. Fixing a radon problem reduces the risk of lung cancer for you and your family. A simple test will tell you if your home has a high radon level. Most radon tests last between 2 and 7 days. It's as easy as opening a package, and putting the test kit in the correct place. After sending the test kit back to the address in the package, the company will send your radon test results in about 2 weeks.

Many local home improvement or hardware stores sell test kits. Test kits can be ordered online too.

How to Get Radon Test Kits To get an easy-to-use radon test kit, you can:

Contact the local Environmental Health Specialist, Monica Cleveland at 402-878-3588

Buy a test kit online or at your local home improvement or hardware store. Many kits are priced under \$25.00.

Order a test kit at [www.sosradon.org](http://www.sosradon.org) or by calling (1-800-767-7236).

Request a test kit from your state radon program, which also has information on radon testing companies and laboratories in your area. Visit [www.epa.gov/radon/whereyoulive.html](http://www.epa.gov/radon/whereyoulive.html). Sometimes you can get a test kit from your state radon office. You also can hire a qualified tester to do a radon test for you. Your state radon program may keep a list of these professionals. Kansas State University, under a cooperative agreement with EPA, provides national radon program services, including selling radon test kits and answering toll-free radon hotlines. For more information about radon testing call 1-800-SOS-RADON (1-800-767-7236) or visit [www.epa.gov/radon/radontest.html](http://www.epa.gov/radon/radontest.html).

You can fix a radon problem. Help is available to fix a radon problem. You can call your state radon office to find qualified radon mitigators in your area. Also local companies with radon mitigators are in the phone book or online. The cost to reduce radon depends on how your home was built and how you use it. Most homes can be fixed for about the same cost as other common home repairs.

New homes can be built with radon-resistant features. Building new homes with simple and cost-effective radon-resistant features can reduce radon entry. Contact your builder or visit [www.epa.gov/radon/rrnc/index.html](http://www.epa.gov/radon/rrnc/index.html) for more information. Every home should be tested before, or soon after, you move in. Even homes built with radon-resistant construction features should be tested. If high radon levels are found, it is easier and costs less to reduce radon levels in homes that are built radon-resistant.

## SHOUXLAND ATHLETE OF THE WEEK: LaPointe knows how and when to utilize his quickness

JERRY GIESE [jgiese@siouxcityjournal.com](mailto:jgiese@siouxcityjournal.com)



WINNEBAGO, Neb. | D'Von LaPointe has quickness and knows how and when to use it.

It begins with that quick first step. Before an opponent knows it, the slippery 6-foot, 160-pound Winnebago senior guard has slid past, either looking to finish a scoring opportunity or to create a chance for a teammate.

"I never knew how quick I was in middle school, but once I got in high school, I knew my first step was quick, so I just kept on working on my footwork," said the Sioux City Journal's Siouxland Athlete of the Week, who currently averages 19.7 points for a 9-1 squad currently ranked third in Class C1.

"I work on agility drills throughout the year. My first step is quicker than the average player. It's a big part of my game and that's what has made me successful, that first step. I use my quickness to get to the hole, finish or dish to the big men on the court, so I can create for other people or myself."

The three-year starter for Coach Jeff Berridge's Indians showed several examples of his quickness last Thursday at the Tyson Events Center during action against Dakota Valley at the CNOS Foundation Basketball Classic.

Aside from scoring a season-high 28 points in the 69-68 win, the 17-year old son of Jerome LaPointe Sr. and Elizabeth Bayer of Winnebago recorded seven of the Indians' 11 steals. Twice in a game that ended when his 6-foot-3 classmate MaNape Cleveland buried a shot at the buzzer, he scored layups after the takeaways.

LaPointe said he looks at an opponent's eyes as he anticipates the steal. He's had three games of five or more steals this season and tied a season-high with seven steals in the win that ended Dakota Valley's five-game winning streak.

"I want to get the opponent annoyed,

just bug them and make sure they're not on their 'A' game," he said. "I look at their eyes when they're looking to the person where they're going to pass. That's when I go for the steal. I have a running start."

It's part of what LaPointe calls "Rez Ball", this run and gun style that has taken Winnebago to three straight state tournaments. He was a freshman at South Sioux City when the squad paced by brothers David and Matthew Wingett won the 2015 title.

Things changed when LaPointe transferred to Winnebago where he learned the Wingett work ethic. He averaged 10.6 points as a sophomore and improved to 14.6 a year later when Berridge's squad took third place for the second straight year.

"Quickness has always been with him," said Berridge, who has a 134-18 record in six years at the school. "He knows how to use it and when to use it. He chooses when to use it. It has always been the same speed, but because of his maturity, he knows how to use it. It's become better as he has grown."

"You know the moment when you're a defender and the opponent is slower. He uses his quickness to get around him. His being able to pick and choose definitely helps us in our style of play. He can get to the ball, he can rebound, he can get the steals and it's because of his quickness. Our game plan works better when he's quick with the ball."

LaPointe also leads Winnebago in both assists (55) and steals (38). The 28-point output marked the sixth time he's topped 20 points, but he has also had six games of five or more assists, including a 21-point, 10-assist double-double.

LaPointe and Cleveland are the lone returning starters from last season's 28-3 squad. The starting lineup also includes 6-7 senior forward/senior Lance Denney (a transfer from South Sioux City) and a pair of 6-foot guards, senior Maurice Scott and junior T.J. Frenchman.

LaPointe has drawn the attention of several colleges.

"It's my dream," he said. "I want to get out of the reservation and play college basketball somewhere."

"The way he handles a ball with his quickness, it can work for a team if they play fast or the right system," said Berridge. "He could be a good point guard. When he settles down and gets in a groove, he can knock down shots. The way he finishes, I'd take him if I was a college coach because of his quickness."

## Ho-Chunk Way donation



WINNEBAGO, Neb. -- A gesture of goodwill helped warm a freezing January day as about two dozen Ho-Chunk, Inc. employees visited the Winnebago Senior Center.

They shared a hot lunch with Tribal seniors but also something more -- part of their paycheck.

The employees presented a donation check for \$27,840. It's the first of two payments for a total \$50,000 donation this year to the center.

"Over the years, many of our employees have asked how they can help beyond doing their jobs," said Ann Marie Bledsoe Downes, Vice President of Community Impact and Engagement for Ho-Chunk, Inc. "It feels wonderful to see how we can directly make a difference for our seniors."

An employee committee selected the Winnebago Senior Center to receive funds this year through a new program called Ho-Chunk Way.

It's a voluntary program that invites Ho-Chunk, Inc. employees to donate to important causes in the Winnebago community. Ho-Chunk, Inc. matches all employee donations up to \$25,000 annually.

Each year, the Ho-Chunk Way Committee designates a specific priority program that needs financial support.

"The Senior Center should be a place of fellowship, entertainment and enjoyment for our Tribal Elders," said Annette Hamilton, Chief Operating Officer. "Together

with our employees, we can help give our Tribal Elders the attention they deserve."

The Winnebago Senior Center is a social center and important provider of food, serving meals at the center and delivered to homebound seniors in Winnebago. It also provides necessary transportation for doctor's appointments and occasional outings.

A potential use of the donation funds include purchasing a reliable four-wheel-drive vehicle able to travel roads that are difficult in the winter and early spring.

In the coming years, the Ho-Chunk Way program will continue to focus on the Winnebago Tribe's priorities: youth, education, jobs, housing and the elders.

Ho-Chunk Way programs builds on the company's goal of helping provide a better way of life for Winnebago Tribal members, including additional housing, the Ho-Chunk Village, summer internship program, college scholarship program and other community projects.

The program gives employees the opportunity to make a one-time or recurring donation through the company's payroll system.

"Our employees are stepping up to provide a better life for Winnebago Tribal members," Bledsoe Downes said. "It feels great to see them living our mission not just through their work but on their own."

## Next WIN News Deadline: January 22nd

### USDA CERTIFIED BISON MEAT FOR SALE

\$15 for 5lbs of ground bison.  
\$20 for a 5 pound roast.  
100% grass fed  
Free Range  
Organic  
No Hormones  
No Antibiotics  
Respectfully Raised

Make a smarter choice nutritionally and economically while supporting the conservation of a buffalo herd raised true to Winnebago beliefs.

Call the Winnebago Wildlife & Parks office @ 402-878-2362 to ask about Winnebago/Omaha Tribal Member Rates.

# Community News



## Parent Training and Information for Families of Children with Disabilities

Contact PTI Nebraska for information about your child's disability, special health care need, or any questions about services for your child.

**Help your child with a disability. Services are free.**

1941 South 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 205  
(2<sup>nd</sup> level of Center Mall)  
Omaha, Nebraska 68105-2938  
402-346-0525 (800) 284-8520  
Fax: 402-934-1479  
[www.pti-nebraska.org](http://www.pti-nebraska.org)  
[reception@pti-nebraska.org](mailto:reception@pti-nebraska.org)

## 2017-2018 JOM BOOK SCHOLARSHIP

The Johnson O'Malley sponsored Senior Book Scholarship was started to encourage students to apply for scholarships. The essay questions are mirrored off the American Indian College Fund Full Circle Scholarship application. Students work on the essays in their English courses at WPS. Once completed the essays are forwarded to the Education department for scoring. The essays are judged anonymously and a scoring rubric is used. The JOM committee reads and scores the essays.

### Eligibility requirements:

- Must attend the Winnebago Public School as a high school senior
- Must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe, according to JOM guidelines
- Must attend college in the summer 2017/fall 2018 semester immediately after graduation
- One time book scholarship to be used in first semester of college

### To claim scholarship:

- Must inform Higher Education Dept. of college attending and submit:
  - ⇒ College acceptance letter & schedule
  - ⇒ Required book list with prices from college bookstore
  - ⇒ Scholarship will be sent directly to the college bookstore that student identifies

### Essay Questions:

1. What challenges have you overcome to attend college?
2. What are your educational and career goals?
3. How will completing your education impact the Native American Community.

**1ST PLACE— \$800**  
**2ND PLACE— \$600**  
**3RD PLACE— \$500**  
**4TH PLACE— \$400**  
**5TH PLACE— \$300**

**SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018**

For more information please contact the Winnebago Tribe Education department at 402-878-2631 November 2017

## Masthead Scene

Big Story inside this issue by Indianz.com editor Kevin Abourezk about the Sacred Fire place in and Winnebago and it's origins.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV18-020

In the Matter of the  
Guardianship Petition of:  
MICHAEL & HEIDI MILES,

In Re:  
A. E. (DOB 03/2012)  
A. E. & A. E. (DOBs 02/2014)

TO: SONYA WHITE, Mother  
ARIC A. ELMORE, Father

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV18-020 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 13TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV18-021

In the Matter of the  
Guardianship Petition of:  
MICHAEL & HEIDI MILES,

In Re:  
J. J. S. (DOB 10/2014)

TO: SONYA WHITE, Mother  
JERREN E. SPRINGS, Father

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV18-021 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 13TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Suspending Parental Rights  
Case No. CV18-032

In the Matter of the  
Adoption of:  
E. M. & E. M. (DOB: 09/2006 & 10/2005)

TO: KAYLA REYNOLDS, Mother  
DAVID MEDINA JR., Father

You are hereby notified that a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights has been filed and a Hearing to Suspend Parental Rights concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV18-032 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 8th day of FEBRUARY 2018 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV17-049

In the Matter of the Custody Petition of:  
JONIELLE SMITH  
vs.  
JAMISON ROBINSON

To: JAMISON ROBINSON,

You are hereby notified that a Custody petition has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in case no. CV17-049 has been scheduled will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 22ND day of FEBRUARY, 2018 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. JFJ17-028B

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:  
A. H. (DOB 06/2011)  
STEPHANIE HARLAN, Mother

To: LAM LOK CHAN, Father

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ17-028B has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 27TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. JFJ18-004

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:  
Z. W. (DOB 08/2016)

To: TRISTA WHITEWATER, Mother  
ALLEN WEITZEL, Father

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ18-004 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 20TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV18-038

In the Matter of the  
Divorce Petition of:  
TIFFANY BUCHANAN  
vs  
SUNGMAITUSKA BUCHANAN

To: SUNGMAITUSKA BUCHANAN:

You are hereby notified that a Divorce petition has been filed and a hearing concerning the above referred Case No. CV18-038 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 12TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 10:30 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. JFJ17-051

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:  
M. W. (DOB 10/2006)  
ANDREA HARLAN, Mother

To: BIOLOGICAL FATHER:

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ17-051 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 13TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. JFJ17-025

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:  
S. R. JR. (DOB 09/2014)

To: RAELANA BERNARD, Mother

You are hereby notified that a hearing for Initial Appearance concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ17-025 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 13TH day of MARCH, 2018 at the hour of 10:00 A.M.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Hearing  
Case No. CV18-029

In the Matter of the  
Guardianship Petition of:  
EMILY L. HERRINGTON,

In Re:  
R. G.-M. (DOB 08/2011)

TO: HANNAH GRIFFIN, Mother  
DWIGHT MORRIS JR., Father

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV18-029 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 27TH day of MARCH 27, 2018 at the hour of 9:30 A.M.

## Winnebago Self Storage



**5x10 - \$35/month**  
**10x10 - \$45/month**  
**10x20 - \$65/month**

**402-878-4210**

[www.winnebagoselfstorage.com](http://www.winnebagoselfstorage.com)

## Native American Owned Manufacturing Housing Company

**LOOKING TO HIRE**

**Construction trades including, drywalling, roofing, electrical, plumbing, framing, siding**

**Weekdays! 1st Shift! Attendance bonus!**

**Apply at: Cascatra Homes 909 17th Ave. Central City, NE 68826**

**308-946-5400**

**[randy@cascatahomes.com](mailto:randy@cascatahomes.com)**

## Apartment For Rent

Lovely 1 bedroom apartment available for persons 62 years of age or with a disability in Walthill, NE. Controlled access building with laundry facilities. Rent based on income.

For more information, call

**712-258-4765**

or write: Weinberg P.M. Inc.,

600 4th Street, Suite 306, Sioux City, Iowa 51105  
This institution is an equal opportunity provider



# Tribal Council Minutes

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## SION – BASED JUVENILE SERVICES AID GRANT

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to ratify the five signature adopting resolution #18-22 Nebraska Crime Commission Community-Based Juvenile Services Aid Grant. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## OLD BUSINESS:

### SELF-GOVERNANCE

#### ADOPT RESOLUTION 18-23

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to adopt resolution #18-23 To Establish the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System, Approve Bylaws and Initiate Selection of the Initial Board of Directors. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

#### APPROVE TRANSITION ORGANIZATIONAL CHART & APPROVE POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the Transition Organizational Chart and Position Descriptions for the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

#### UPDATE ON SELF-GOVERNANCE –

No action taken.

#### WINNEBAGO LAND CORPORATION LETTER Land Corporation Letter noted and documented.

Vincent Bass motioned to have a meeting regarding the Winnebago Tribal Council and the Land Corporation on December 27, 2017. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes (3) no, CS, RW, IS (0) abstain Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS:

[Victoria out]

#### PLANNING DEPT. EDUCARE SECOND POINT ENTRANCE EXIT PROJECT

Kenneth Mallory motioned to adopt Resolution 18-24: EduCare Second Point Entrance Exit Project. Vincent Bass seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## HUMAN SERVICES

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the 3 year 477 Plan. Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

[Victoria in]

#### COREY HOLIDAY – WINNEBAGO LACROSSE

Roland Warner motioned to add Lacrosse as an official sport of the tribe.

Isaac Smith seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

JOHN BOUCHAL – EMPLOYMENT REVIEW – No action taken.

### ALCOHOL PROGRAM

Kenneth Mallory motioned to appoint a Board of Directors to oversee the program then overseen by the CFO. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes (3) no, JS, VB, VK (0) abstain Motion carried.

### ETHICAL COMPLAINT – No action.

Kenneth Mallory motioned to go into Executive Session. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to come out of Executive Session at 1:32 p.m. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

### KARI BASS – REQUEST

James Snow motioned to refer the request to the CFO to process from Minor Trust fund per court decision. Isaac Smith seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (3) abstain, CS, VB, VK Motion carried.

[Isaac out]

Vincent Bass motioned to suspend the rules. Curtis St. Cyr seconded. VOTE: (6) yes (1) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

[Isaac in]

Vincent Bass motioned to adopt resolution 18-25: Trust Account Drawdown.

Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (1) abstain, VK Motion carried.

James Snow motioned to adopt resolution 18-26: Authorized Tribal Officials.

Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (1) no, VK (0) abstain Motion carried.

## ADJOURN:

Vincent Bass motioned to adjourn. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Chairman White adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Coly Brown, Secretary  
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

WINNEBAGOTRIBE OF NEBRASKA  
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL  
MEETING  
December 6, 2017

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Frank White  
Curtis St. Cyr  
Coly Brown  
Roland Warner  
James Snow  
Vincent Bass  
Victoria Kitcheyan  
Kenneth Mallory  
Isaac Smith  
OTHERS PRESENT:  
Gloria Eagle  
Ruby Bellenger  
Victor Smith  
Danelle Smith  
Myra Munsen  
Joi Long  
Collin Hampton  
Gary Wabansee  
Shelly Bear  
Mona Zuffante  
Crystal White  
Danny Eagle  
Corey Holiday  
Sharon Frenchman  
Tony Woods  
Benny Eagle  
William DeCora  
Mary Kelsey  
Ann Downes  
Feather Earth  
Dulcie Greene  
Wayne Kelsey  
Ireta Hunter  
Kari Bass  
Mary Kearnes  
Crystal Ross  
Al Lopez  
Jason Lawrence  
Tiffani Warner  
Tyren Wolfe  
Junior LaBelle  
Thelma Whitewater  
Tonia Keller  
Michelle Free  
Too Sharpback  
Garon Coons  
Frankie Smith  
Daryl LaPointe, Jr.  
Avis Rice  
LaDonna Holstien  
Desire Kitcheyan  
Joy Johnson  
Chiara Cournoyer  
Marian Holstien  
Cece Earth  
Aaron LaPointe  
Winona Armell  
Greg Bass  
QuiQui St. Cyr  
Sky Morgan  
Ilona Maney  
Nikki Solomon  
Anna Bess Preston  
Janet Bass  
Billie Kitcheyan  
Lance Morgan  
Kelly Snow  
Les Painter

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Kenneth Mallory offered the opening prayer.

### APPROVE THE AGENDA:

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the agenda with the additions of Alcohol Program, Ethical Complaint, and Kari Bass. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

### READING OF THE MINUTES:

NOV. 29, 2017

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the November 29, 2017 Mid-Monthly Tribal Council Minutes. James Snow seconded. VOTE: (6) yes (2) no, VB, VK (0) abstain Motion carried.

NOV. 30, 2017

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the November 30, 2017 Treasurer's Report Minutes. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

[Roland out]

NOV. 30, 2017

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the November 30, 2017 Special Gaming Commission Minutes. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes (1) no, VK (0) abstain Motion carried.

[Roland in]

### RATIFY FIVE SIGNATURES:

#### GREAT PLAINS GOOD HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAM-TOBACCO PREVENTION PROPOSAL

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to ratify the five signature to adopt resolution #18-20 Great Plains Good Health and Wellness Program-Tobacco Prevention Proposal. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

#### WINNEBAGO TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION – SAFETY PLAN PROJCT 2018

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to ratify the five signature to adopt resolution #18-21 Winnebago Tribal Transportation Safety Plan Project 2018. Vincent Bass seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

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Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the Transition Organizational Chart and Position Descriptions for the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

#### UPDATE ON SELF-GOVERNANCE –

No action taken.

#### WINNEBAGO LAND CORPORATION LETTER Land Corporation Letter noted and documented.

Vincent Bass motioned to have a meeting regarding the Winnebago Tribal Council and the Land Corporation on December 27, 2017. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes (3) no, CS, RW, IS (0) abstain Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS:

[Victoria out]

#### PLANNING DEPT. EDUCARE SECOND POINT ENTRANCE EXIT PROJECT

Kenneth Mallory motioned to adopt Resolution 18-24: EduCare Second Point Entrance Exit Project. Vincent Bass seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no(0) abstain Motion carried.

## HUMAN SERVICES

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the 3 year 477 Plan. Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

[Victoria in]

#### COREY HOLIDAY – WINNEBAGO LACROSSE

Roland Warner motioned to add Lacrosse as an official sport of the tribe.

Isaac Smith seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

JOHN BOUCHAL – EMPLOYMENT REVIEW – No action taken.

### ALCOHOL PROGRAM

Kenneth Mallory motioned to appoint a Board of Directors to oversee the program then overseen by the CFO. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes (3) no, JS, VB, VK (0) abstain Motion carried.

### ETHICAL COMPLAINT – No action.

Kenneth Mallory motioned to go into Executive Session. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to come out of Executive Session at 1:32 p.m. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

### KARI BASS – REQUEST

James Snow motioned to refer the request to the CFO to process from Minor Trust fund per court decision. Isaac Smith seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes (0) no (3) abstain, CS, VB, VK Motion carried.

[Isaac out]

Vincent Bass motioned to suspend the rules. Curtis St. Cyr seconded. VOTE: (6) yes (1) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

[Isaac in]

Vincent Bass motioned to adopt resolution 18-25: Trust Account Drawdown.

Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (1) abstain, VK Motion carried.

James Snow motioned to adopt resolution 18-26: Authorized Tribal Officials.

Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (1) no, VK (0) abstain Motion carried.

## ADJOURN:

Vincent Bass motioned to adjourn. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

VOTE: (8) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Chairman White adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Coly Brown, Secretary  
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

WINNEBAGOTRIBE OF NEBRASKA  
MID-MONTHLY MEETING  
December 18, 2017

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Frank White  
Curtis St. Cyr  
Coly Brown  
Roland Warner  
James Snow  
Victoria Kitcheyan  
Kenneth Mallory  
Isaac Smith  
OTHERS PRESENT:  
John Bouchal  
Winona Rice  
Daphne Frenchman  
Desiree Kitcheyan  
Katherine Frenchman  
Cassie Kitcheyan  
Tonia Keller

Benny Eagle  
Cece Earth  
Jeanie Eagle  
Ruby Bellenger  
Tiffani Warner  
Garan Coons  
Tara Hernandez  
William DeCora  
Lynn Pretends Eagle  
James Frenchman  
Deidre Redhorn  
Charlie Rice  
Shelly Bear

## TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:

Vincent Bass (sick leave)

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman White called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Coly Brown offered the opening prayer.

## AGENDA:

Kenneth Mallory motioned to add Contractor/Bonuses and approve as amended.

Curtis St. Cyr seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## READING OF THE MINUTES:

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve the December 6, 2017 Regular Tribal Council meeting minutes. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## RATIFY FIVE SIGNATURES:

### RESOLUTION #18-28

Coly Brown motioned to ratify the five-signature adopting resolution #18-28; Trust Account Drawdown, which is paying \$500,000.00 into the Health Insurance Account.

Kenneth Mallory seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

### RESOLUTION #18-24A

Kenneth Mallory motioned to ratify the five-signature adopting resolution #18-24A: Educare Second Point Entrance Exit Project. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF HOLIDAY HAM

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to ratify the five-signature approving the purchase of 800/4lb. hams to give out to the Tribal Members (One per household, age 18 and over) for a holiday gift. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## TRAVEL APPROVAL

Curtis St. Cyr motioned to ratify the five-signature approving travel for James Snow to attend the Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Association meeting as a proxy for the Chairman White on December 15 & 16, 2017 in Rapid City, SD. Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## OLD BUSINESS:

### JOHN BOUCHAL – REQUEST

Kenneth Mallory motioned to go into Executive Session at 5:22 p.m.

Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Kenneth Mallory motioned to come out of Executive Session at 6:33 p.m.

Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS:

### ALCOHOL PROGRAM

#### CONTRACTS – ADOPT RESOLUTION

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to table adopting the resolution "Winnebago Community Development Fund – Facilitating Growth Project 2018". James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Kenneth Mallory motioned to come out of Executive Session at 6:33 p.m.

Coly Brown seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

## TRIBAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

### COREY HOLIDAY – CHALLENGE, No show/no action taken.

### TRMTC LETTER

James Snow motioned to approve travel for Isaac Smith and Matt May to attend the Tribal Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee in Omaha Nebraska on January 23-24, 2018. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

#### OTOE-MISSOURIA WINTER ENCAMPMENT

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve travel for Tribal Council to attend the Otoe-Missouria Winter Encampment on January 19-20, 2018 in Newkirk, OK.

James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

### CONTRACTOR BONUSES

Kenneth Mallory motioned to approve contractor bonuses for Ron Nohr, Brandon Stout, and Jay Stout. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

VOTE: (2) yes, KM, (5) no (0) abstain Motion failed.

## ADJOURN:

Roland Warner motioned to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. James Snow seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain Motion carried.

Chairman White adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

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# SHOVEL UP THE CASH!

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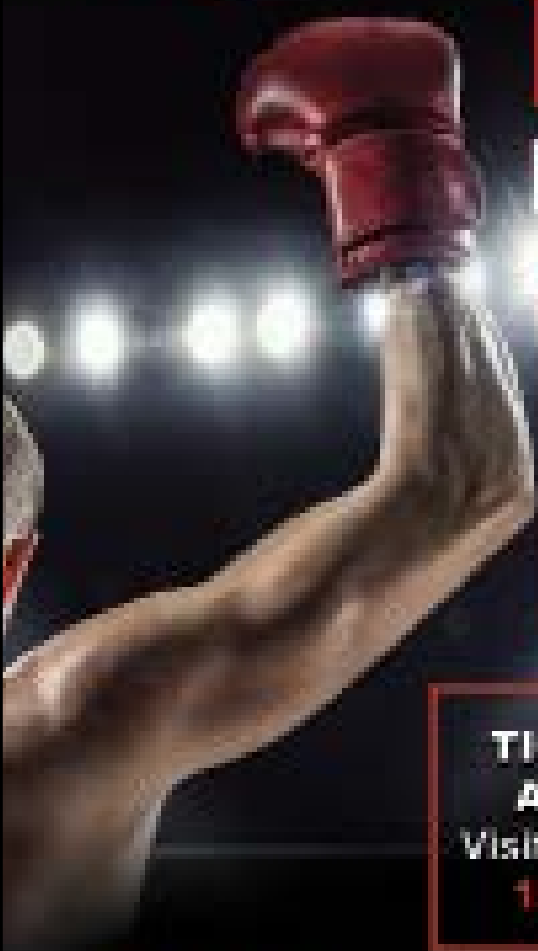
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